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LIAISON Took a call from Mike ` 25X1 5. Glennon, Legal Counsel, Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Glennon said that he had heard that the DDCI and top officials of other Executive Branch agencies were planning to meet with Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Chairman Birch Bayh (D., Ind.) and with Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee on International Operations Chairman George S. McGovern (D., S. Dak.) to discuss problems raised by certain questions that had been asked by the Subcommittee staff in connection with the Subcommittee's investigation of foreign intelligence activities in the U.S. Glennon said that he was calling to strongly advise against such a meeting. He said that during the last one and one-half years all of the recommendations that he had made to Chairman McGovern concerning the conduct of the Subcommittee's investigation had been followed, and that Glennon was responsible for the restraint (sic) shown by the Subcommittee in pursuit of its' investigation. Glennon went on for some length about the importance he attached to the good working-level relationship he believed he had with us. He was greatly agitated because of what he believed to be an imminent attempt on the part of the Intelligence Community to by-pass him and deal directly with Senators Bayh and McGovern. I told Glennon I could not definitively confirm or deny the existence of a scheduled meeting between the DDCI and Senators Bayh or McGovern, nor would I necessarily be aware of such a scheduled meeting in advance. I noted, however, that the DDCI and other Executive Branch officials certainly were entitled to meet with Senators as they saw fit. I told Glennon that my own inclination paralleled his, i.e., that it was certainly preferable to handle things on the working level whenever possible. We agreed to meet on Monday, 25 September, at Headquarters to discuss the Subcommittee's questions on electronic surveillance and to get started on Glennon's "re-interviews" of experts on certain foreign intelligence

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